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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council's (Council) Herring Oversight Committee will meet to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 6, 2012 at 8:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Radisson Hotel Plymouth Harbor, 180 Water Street, Plymouth, MA 02360; telephone: (508) 747-4900; fax: (508) 746-2609.

<u>Council address</u>: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The items of discussion in the committee's agenda are as follows:

The Herring Oversight Committee will meet to review and discuss public comments received regarding measures under consideration in Draft Amendment 5 to the Atlantic Herring Fishery Management Plan (FMP). They will review/discuss Enforcement Committee, Herring

Plan Development Team, and Herring Advisory Panel recommendations regarding measures

under consideration in Draft Amendment 5. They will also develop recommendations regarding

the final selection of management measures for Amendment 5, scheduled for the June 19-

21,2012 Council meeting. The Committee will address other business as necessary.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group

for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action

will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice and any issues arising after

publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-

Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the

Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign

language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Paul J. Howard (see

ADDRESSES) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

Dated: May 15, 2012.

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Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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